

SENATE BILL 120

By Kurita

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
49-6-2109, relative to school buses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2109, is amended by adding
the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection thereto:

() The board shall permit the use of transit style school buses for a twenty-five-
year period; provided that:

(1) Any bus with over twenty (20) years of use receives a certified
inspection by a certified mechanic or is inspected by the commissioner or the
commissioner's designee at least twice annually; and

(2) At such inspections, the inspector shall have the authority to require
repairs or reconditioning to be made which the inspector considers necessary for
the continued safe use and operation of the bus and to meet state and federal
safety standards in effect at the time of the inspection. If the local authority or
owner refuses to take the required action or if the inspector considers continued
use of the bus to be unsafe, the inspector shall order its removal from service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.